

GO WILD: RECORDING WILDLIFE

Knowledge is a vital tool. The more we know about our local habitats (urban and rural) the more we can do to protect them. Anyone can get involved in recording wildlife you don't need experience. It's just as important to record the common species as the rare ones to get a realistic picture of the biodiversity (variety of life). Conservationists use the results of surveys to spot changes in the number of species and individuals in an area. So don't forget to share what you find with us. And you can use your results to decide what changes you can make to help the wildlife in your local area.

So what will you need for your wildlife survey? Once you have found all the words have a look at the hints and tips below to help you plan your own survey.

magnifying glass ID guides quiet
 slime binoculars feather camera
 smell footprint log pile leaves
 sound notebook burrow song



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Here are some more hints and tips to help you with your survey:

- Do get family involved, the more the merrier, but do try to stay as QUIET as possible so you don't frighten anything away.
- Don't try to catch anything, you can always use a MAGNIFYING GLASS to have a closer look if you have one.
- Do count how many individuals of a species you see and where you spot them. Were they in a LOG PILE or under LEAVES? Were they in a tree or did you see them dart down a BURROW?
- Don't worry if you aren't sure what you have found you can use a CAMERA to take a picture or write a description in your NOTEBOOK to look it up later in IDENTIFICATION (ID) GUIDES or online.
- Do look out for signs that animals may have visited. Is there a FOOTPRINT or FEATHER? Is there a SLIME trail?
- Do listen out for the SOUND of animals that you may not be able to see easily, can you hear any bird SONG? You may also SMELL some animals too.
- Do be patient, make sure to look all around, if you have BINOCULARS you may find them useful.
- Do try to record wildlife on a regular basis and at different times of year.
- Don't forget to tell us what you find <https://chesterzook.typeform.com/to/wRe2am>

Word search answers

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